IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

James I. Mahaney et al.

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Samica L. Norman

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Title:

Method for Maximizing Retirement Income Using Financial

Bridge Products and Deferred Social Security Income

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the first Office Action mailed March 21, 2008, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following: